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Q. NOTICIAS OF AUGUST 21 CARRIED AN INTERVIEW WITH TWO SECRETARIES OF THE USSR EMBASSY INHMOZAMBIQUE, SERGUEI BEDRINSKI AN BORIS SINELTCHIKOV. AFTER A LENGTHY AND GLOWING ACCOUNT OF THE PRESENT STATE OF THE SOVIET ECONOMY AND INDUSTRY, THE SOVIET AID TO "PROGRESSIVE REGIMES" IN THE THIRD WORLD, THE SOVIET SECRETARIES SPOKE ONLY IN THE MOST GENERAL TERMS REGARDING USSR-MOZAMBIQUE ECONOMIC COLLABORATION.

2. EVADING A DIRECT QUESTION, THE SOVIETS SAID ECONOMIC COLLABORATION QUOTE WOULD REALLY DEPEND ON THE RESPECTIVE MINISTRIES, BECAUSE WE DO NOT KNOW THE MOZAMBIQUE MARKET OR WHAT CAN BE OFFERED, AND THEREFORE IT IS A CASE OF COLLABORATING TOGETHER UNQUOTE.

3. THE SOVIETS MENTIONED THAT DURING THE TRANSITIONAL PERIOD
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QUOTE SOME PROPOSALS OF ECONOMIC EXCHANGE HAD BEEN PRESENTED

UNQUOTE (AND GAVE THE IMPRESSION THEY HAD BEEN IGNORED).

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